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August 6, 2014

Diane Kennon
1911 Barnard Road
Woodstock, VT 05091

Re: Variance Request

Location: 1911 Barnard Rd. Woodstock

Site # 92909

Dear Ms. Kennon

I am in receipt of your variance request to allow the existing bedroom window to remain.

Under the provisions of the amended 2012 Vermont Fire & Safety Code, Section 8, a variance may be granted when the applicant can demonstrate that an equal degree of safety is being provided through a safe alternative method.

This is a two bedroom single family home that you would like to rent. The egress windows in both bedrooms measure 24 inches in width, by 26 inches in height, for a total of 4.3 square feet.

Code Requirement: The minimum "net clear opening of egress windows must be 5.7 square inches," and the sill height must be not more than 44 inches above the floor. The minimum net clear opening height is 24 inches and the minimum net clear opening width is 20 inches, with a total net opening of 820 square inches. When using a double hung window, the 5.7 square feet of open-able area must be in the bottom sash only. 2012 NFPA 101 24.2.2.

Your request for a variance is Granted with the following conditions:

You install electric with battery back-up photoelectric smoke detectors on all levels, inside and outside all sleeping rooms, as well as electric with battery back-up carbon monoxide detectors outside all sleeping areas.



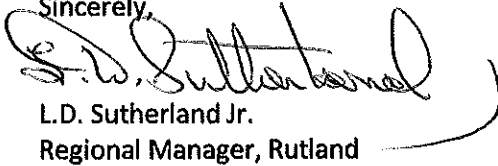
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In the future, any window replaced that requires altering of the window opening, the new window shall be 5.7 square feet.

Sincerely,



L.D. Sutherland Jr.
Regional Manager, Rutland

Cc: Regional Managers
David Green, Assistant Fire Marshal